

**Waste Water Treatment Plant  
Pre-Proposal Conference/Site Visit, 18 June 2001  
Solicitation F39601-01-R0052**

Attendees of the meeting:

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The meeting was held at 10:00 a.m. in the Rushmore Center large conference room.

Shirley Bursing introduced the Air Force personnel. A brief description was given of the project. Contractors were told all questions should be submitted by either email or fax to the Contracting Office by the close of business on June 19, 2001. The answers to the questions and the site visit minutes will be posted in an amendment to this solicitation at [www.eps.gov](http://www.eps.gov).

At 10:10 the bus departed on the site visit, which included the Waste Water Treatment Plant, outfall ponds, and lift stations areas. The bus returned to the Rushmore Center at 12:00 p.m. TSgt Johnson told the visiting contractors the reason of the resolicitation was due to an audit by manpower, which indicated that

the water distribution system and swimming pools should not have been included in the original Statement of Work. Visitors were reminded that their past performance information needs to be mailed by 26 June 2001 which is 10 days prior to the due date of 5 July for receiving proposals. With no other comments, the site visit concluded at 12:10 p.m.

#### **ANSWERS TO CONTRACTOR'S QUESTIONS**

WOODARD & CURRAN:

1. Q - What is the current staffing level at the wastewater facility?

A - Current staffing at the WWTP is 7.

2. Q - What is the current required frequency of Whole Effluent Toxicity testing?

A - Current requirement for Whole Effluent Toxicity testing is quarterly.  
Reference page 3-12-56 .

3. Q -Who is responsible for snow removal on the plant grounds and at the ponds?

A - The government is responsible for snow removal on the roadways to the plant and to the perimeter roads on the west side of the flight line, based on the priority list established by the 28 CES snow removal flight. However, there is no snow removal on the gravel access roads to the outfall sampling ponds.

4. Q - Where are the spare parts listed in Appendix 2c stored?.

A.- Most of the spare parts are stored under the evaluated water storage tower. But due to the changes in the scope of work this location will be changing at the start of the new contract. The remainder of the parts are stored at the plant.

URBAN LOGIC SERVICES, INC.:

5. Q - Who is responsible for the sampling and analysis of the Whole Effluent Toxicity Test?

A - The contractor is responsible for the Whole Effluent Toxicity Test.

6. Q - Is there an alarm dialer that makes callouts to any on call operators, and if so, how does the alarm dialer notify the on-call operator?

A - The alarm dialer is owned by the current contractor (Hawthorne Services, Inc.) The alarm dialer is not included as part of Gov't furnished equipment. It is the responsibility of the contractor to provide 24 hour monitoring of the WWTP. (SOW page 14, paragraph 4.4.)

7. Q - The ALS, NPDES and SWDS Permits are expired; will current permits be posted on the Web?

A - Current permits will be available once the base receives them from the state. The old permits have been extended by the state until the new permits are finished.

8. Q - SOW Section 1.13 WASTE DISPOSAL. Is the time frame (24-hours) for disposal correct?.

A - The disposal time is correct.

9. Q - Once the oil/water separators are skimmed, are they disposed of by the WWTP contractor or by the service contractor currently being used?

A - The contractor is responsible for any required pumping and disposal from the oil/separator. (SOW page 8, paragraph 1.14). Subcontractor could be utilized for this requirement but cost incurred would be the responsibility of the contractor.

STREAMBORN ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES, INC.:

10. Q - What was the most recent option year contract amount?

A - This is the base year and the contract amount is \$412,562.72.

11. Q - How is the treatment plant currently staffed, i.e., what shifts, how many personnel per shift, how many days per week?

A - Seven days per week, 16 hours per day. Monday through Friday 0700-1500, 2 operators, 1 manager and 1 assistant manager, 1500-2300 1 operator. Weekend 0700-2300 1 operator. Coverage needs to be in accordance with SOW paragraph 4.4.

12. Q - Are there any major maintenance deficiencies that bidders should be aware of?

A - None that we are aware.

OPTECH:

13. Q - Will all of the outstanding projects be completed by the new contract start date? If not, who will be responsible for payment of those incompletd projects.

A - Current work and parts ordered will be coordinated between the incoming and outgoing contractor. There are currently four outstanding projects:

1. Transferring about 60,000 gallons of sludge from the storage digester back into the active digester to be performed in July-August.

2. Repair to the backup secondary sludge pump (#1) - research and determination of exact repairs needed being accomplished presently.

3. Replacement of drive chains for secondary clarifier flights to be performed during annual maintenance in July.

4. Repair to valve on primary sludge line to be repaired during annual maintenance in July the government would be responsible for any cost incurred past the post award date.

14. Q - Will the contractor be responsible for all labor costs? Even in the event of major catastrophic events (i.e. trickling filter cover has to be removed)?

A - The contractor will be responsible for all normal repair and maintenance

labor cost.

15. Q - Who is responsible for spills at the outfall areas?

A - The base Spill Response Team.

16. Q - What tests are required in regards to the sludge in the oil/water separators?

A - Before disposal of sludge, tests must be performed to determine if it is non-hazardous waste.

17. Q - Who is responsible for paying for the generator fuel?

A - The 28 CES power pro shop will provide fuel.

18. Q - Are there any instance when the contractor will not be responsible for the first \$2000 of each event?

A - None.

19. Q - Can we have all of the information on the Honeywell contract?

A - Honeywell is a subcontractor. The government is not privy to this information.

20. Q - What stage are you in on the Storm Water Permit testing and plan? Will the contractor be responsible for the control of this plan?

A - Current permit is being renewed by the state, the base is completing the annual update to the plan. The base will be in control and responsible for the Storm Water Permit, the contractor will supply any needed information requested by 28 CES/CEV for annual updates.

21. Q - Can we have the past year historical data for chemical usage at the plant?

A - Chemical usage data for Oct 99 to Oct 00:

|                        |            |
|------------------------|------------|
| Chlorine gas           | 7,600 lbs  |
| Sulfur dioxide         | 5,800 lbs  |
| Polymer for belt press | 90 gallons |
| Lab chemicals          | \$3,000.00 |
| Sodium nitrate         | 800 lbs    |

. They are high and low water levels in all the towers, trickling filter failure, boiler failure.

25. Q - Where is the location where the sludge currently hauled? Will the contractor have access to that location?

A - Sludge is hauled to the Rapid City landfill, the Contractor will have to make his own arrangements but we don't see any problem with access.

26. Q - How often do we have to check the water tanks for corrosion, cracks, etc.?

A - Every 5 years

27. Q - What stage are in on the Storm Water Permit testing and plan? Will the contractor be responsible for the control of this plan?

A - We have a permit and are in compliance. The permit will be transferred to the Contractor who will be responsible for the plan.

28. Q - Can we have the past year historical data for chemical usage at the plant?

A - 7,200 lbs. chlorine gas, 5,400 lbs. sulfur dioxide, 1,500 gallons sodium hypochlorite, 300 gallons pool stabilizer, \$2,000 lab chemicals, 70 gallons of polymer for the belt press.

#### APL Environmental

29. Q - Is it possible to obtain a copy of the Operation and Maintenance Manual?

A - This manual will be made available as soon as this office obtains an email copy or an internet site to download.

30. Q - Is it possible to obtain a list of chemical and as well as quantities were used in the year of 1999?

A - 7,200 lbs. chlorine gas, 5,400 lbs. sulfur dioxide, 1,500 gallons sodium hypochlorite, 300 gallons pool stabilizer, \$2,000 lab chemicals, 70 gallons of polymer for the belt press.

31. Q - As per section 7.1. Testing shall be accomplished by a Class II South Dakota certification. Since our firm is from out of state, is it possible to specify as obtained the Class II South Dakota certification within the six months?

A - It would be the Contractors responsibility to have the testing done by contract until he/she has someone with a SD Class 2 certification to accomplish the testing.

32. Q - The due day is at May 19, 2000, is it possible to have an extension?

A - At this time we do not anticipate an extension of this date.